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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF PRESIDENT, MORRISON-KNUDSON CO., INC.

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1. COMPANY PRESIDENT, MCMURREN AND FOUR OTHER OFFICIALS VISITED EMBASSY NOVEMBER 1. AMBASSADOR GAVE FULL BRIEFING AND COMATT ARRANGED JIDDA APPOINTMENTS FOR GROUP WITH SWCC, SAMA AND LOCAL BUSINESSMAN AS REQUESTED.

2. COMATT STRESSED POINT THAT SAUDIS NOW TIRING OF GENERALIZED FACT FINDING VISITS AND WISH DISCUSS SPECIFICS SUCH AS WATER DESALINATION AND OTHER PROJECTS IN FIVE YEAR PLAN.

3. SEVERAL SAUDI FIRMS RECOGNIZING MK AS MAJOR U.S. COMPANY FOR LARGE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS HAVE BEEN COURTING IT FOR JOINT VENTURES OR REPRESENTATIONS. U.S. FIRM APPEARS KNOWLEDGEABLE AND HAS SOME GOOD LOCAL CONTACTS. HAS PROMISED KEEP US INFORMED ON RESULTS OF VISIT. TO DATE IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT IT WILL ESTABLISH A REPRESENTATIVE HERE EITHER TO WORK OUT OF POSSIBLE SAUDI PARTNER'S OFFICES OR INDEPENDENTLY.
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